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THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

(First Oak Leaf Cluster)

LAWRENCE K. WHITE, (0-19241), Colonel, Infantry, United States Army, FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF MERITORIOUS SERVICES at New Georgia, Solomon Islands, from 19 July to 6 August 1943.

As assistant G-3 of the 37th Infantry Division, Colonel White (then Lieutenant Colonel) reconnoitered an enemy strongpoint which was retarding the advance, although he was repeatedly exposed to enemy observation and fire. Informed of a Japanese attempt to cut through the Division's north flank, Colonel White directed mortar fire on the attackers and led an Infantry assault which completely dispersed the hostile force.

General Orders Number 854

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